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## Lady Cardinals State Champs!

*The Magnificent Seven place first in the state tournament in Columbia, but must say goodbye to senior teammates and coach.*

By Josh Finney

The Lady Cardinals finished their season with a 27-4 record and a win at the state tournament in Columbia, making them the first ever Chadwick team to accomplish that feat.

With the season complete, the Lady Cardinals will have to say good-bye to seniors Jessi Peirce and Courtney Jones and to Coach Doug Dunn.

Senior Jessi Peirce said, "This has been a memorable year, one of the best ever."

Senior Courtney Jones added, "I will definitely miss it."



Above: The Lady Cardinals pose along with their coaches after their big win at state.

## Boys Finish Season 23-5

By Craig Thomas

The boy's basketball team ended their season with a 23-5 overall record, falling just shy of a district championship. After defeating Exeter and Hurley to advance to the district finals, Verona's three-point buzzer-beater in overtime ended the Chadwick season.

They had a great season, taking first in the Mark Twain Conference Tournament

and the Chadwick Tournament. They also placed third overall in the Spokane Tournament and were awarded the MTC Sportsmanship Award.

"We had a great season, and I can't believe its over," said senior Drew Rozell.

## Carnival Raises \$6000

By Drew Rozell

On Friday, April 1, the Chadwick PTO held its annual Carnival with a chili supper, games, auctions, and a coronation ceremony with a Mardi Gras theme. The event raised \$6000.

First grade candidates Forrest Osborn and Kelsey Walker and senior candidates

Hayley Guerin and Jake Schwartz were crowned.

"It was a good time. The Carnival is always a lot of fun," said Junior candidate Stacie Sisco.

Right: Carnival royalty Hayley Guerin and Jake Schwartz preside over the festivities.



## Virus Report

By Arron Brown

Computer viruses, adware, and spyware are major concerns for anyone using the Internet, especially school districts which often maintain networks of hundreds of computers.

There are over a hundred thousand known computer virus strains, which cause over \$30 billion of damage annually. Two of the most common types of viruses include worms and Trojan horses.

Worms are viruses that replicate inside a computer without the user's knowledge and continue to eat up resources, slowing down the computer until eventually the problem is noticed.

A Trojan horse is a destructive program that masquerades as a benign program. Some Trojan horse viruses even appear to be antivirus applications, although they are actually introducing viruses to the system.

Often adware and spyware can be just as harmful as a virus, with students unknowingly installing programs that can flood a computer with pop-up ads, cookies, or data mining software, all of which consume a computer's resources. Programs such as Adaware and Spybot Search and Destroy may help locate and remove such programs.

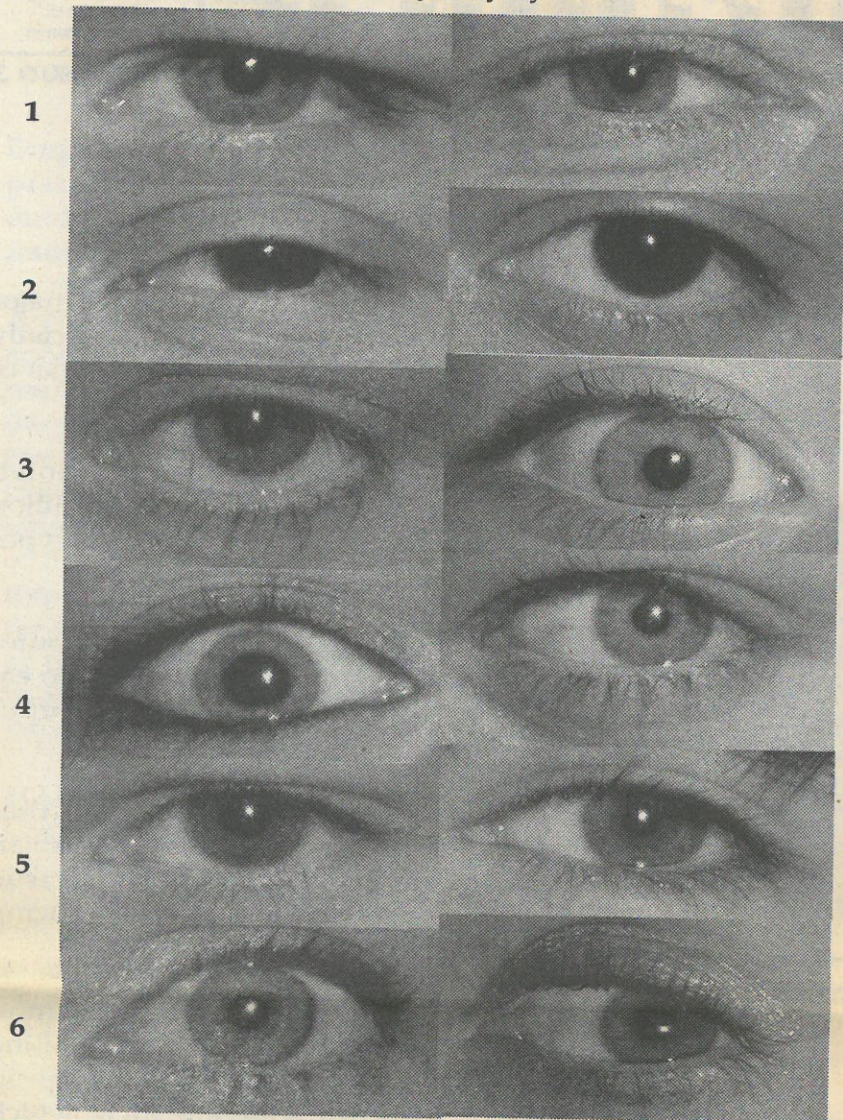
The first step to protecting any PC is investing in a reliable antivirus program. This will generally protect your computer from harm by singling out a virus and deleting it if possible. In addition, setting up a firewall will protect your computer, not only from viruses, but also from computer hackers as well.

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**INSIDE:** Your guide to this summer's films, tips for ACT prep, confessions of a carnival queen, and an ex-'sight'-ing new contest!

# The "Eyes" Have It

Selected by Hayley Guerin



**Contest Rules:** Number a sheet of paper 1-12. Write the name of each person whose eye is shown next to each corresponding number. To win, be the first one to turn in your answers to Mr. Walker!

## What's Your Hidden Alias?

Some Chadwick students may be more exciting than you ever imagined. Unscramble the following secret aliases to find the name of Chadwick stu-

1. Hannah the Elk
2. Stephan Macho
3. Doc Browny
4. Duane Shower
5. Sir Converge
6. Fez Chatters
7. Cate Ramirez
8. Claudia Loots
9. Sherry Galosh
10. Marcia Ghost
11. Milton Hands
12. Tweak Ditty
13. Ester Hallways
14. Dr. Oz Weller
15. Huey Yearling
16. Floyd France
17. Joyce Neutrons
18. Amanda Turtles
19. "Snake" Ronnel
20. Millie Hackett

21. Irwin S. Sherlock
22. Jason Ellison
23. Elijah Mae
24. Chairman Winey
25. Lo Everheart
26. Delaney Wilkes
27. Miracle Osborn
28. Benny Hitless
29. Terry Blade
30. Joey Corns

Did you find your own scrambled name on the list? For the answers to these anagrams or to make your own, log on to Wordsmith's Anagram Generator online at [www.wordsmith.org/anagram/](http://www.wordsmith.org/anagram/)

## How to Prep for the ACT

*Taking the ACT is a must for college bound juniors and seniors, but how can you be sure to succeed? Jake Schwartz offers the following tips:*

**Tip #1:** Take it early and take it often. You should take the test at least once your junior year and twice your senior year. This gives you a chance to become familiar with the test and improve your score. Remember, only the best score counts—low scores will not be held against you!

**Tip #2:** When taking the test, read everything carefully, including the directions and questions.

**Tip #3:** Time management is key. Answer the easiest questions first, and save the hardest for last. That way, if you have to guess, it is on a question that you were likely to miss anyway.

**Tip #4:** Use logic on the hard questions. Eliminate all of the obviously wrong answers, and then make an educated guess. (It's multiple choice, so there's a 25% chance you will get the right answer.)

**Tip #5:** Get your hands on a good study guide. Many companies provide books that help you brush up on your ACT skills. Computer programs are often included with the text or can be purchased separately.

**Tip #6:** Get plenty of rest.

**Tip #7:** Eat a good breakfast.

**Tip #8:** Find a test buddy. Register for the same test date and location as someone else and make regular study dates to prepare for the test.

**Tip #9:** Get a practice test. Mr. Cataldo has copies in his office.

**Tip #10:** Try your hardest and have a positive attitude. You can do it!

## Confessions of a Carnival Queen

- 11 I began the week energized, but by Tuesday night I was stressed. Wednesday items such as crackers, corn chips, coffee, ketchup, canned foods, and pop were due the next day by one o'clock. After school, I drove to Wal-Mart and headed straight for the pop. I carefully stacked seventy-two two-liter bottles on one cart and piled twenty-eight on another. I counted and recounted before pulling my two carts into the cracker aisle. I raked in twenty-some boxes of saltines and then headed off to look for ketchup. The carts each weighed more than me, and the heavier cart had a bad wheel, so it kept crashing into the other one. I tried switching sides with the other cart, but then it kept trying to run down the other shoppers. Two hours later, I was finally ready to check out, and after some minor disagreements with a stubborn checkout lady who wanted to scan each item individually, I was on my way.

When I finally made it to my truck, some lady wanted my parking space. She sat there waiting for half an hour before finally driving off. It took me another ten minutes to finish unloading. I was so relieved to be done—well, at least, for the day.

The next day, I had to go to Branson to get show tickets and gift certificates. It took four hours in Branson, but I got over five hundred dollars in tickets donated. After leaving Branson, I had to drive to Springfield to pick up some crafts that were being donated.

Thursday, it was back to Wal-Mart, this time for cake mixes, frosting, some store bought cakes, donuts, pies, and cookies.

I put over nine hundred miles on my truck in a single week, but people were so generous with their donations that I even had enough to cover my gas money.

All the effort paid off Friday night when I heard them call my name. Jake crowned me unsteadily, and I tried to crown him, but the crown was too small for his head, so it just kind of sat there on top. The flower girl handed me my flowers. Then we all took tons of pictures, and I wore my crown the rest of the night everywhere I went.

# The Films of Summer '05

Entertainment aficionado Drew Rozell asks the question: Summer blockbuster or Hollywood's equivalent of the belly flop? The movies of summer are destined to make you laugh, cry, and possibly leave you demanding a refund. Here are my predictions:

## The Good

*Kingdom Of Heaven* – Orlando Bloom and Liam Neeson star in a Crusade era epic that could be the next *Braveheart*. Opens May 6.

*Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith* – The third and final installment in the Star Wars saga is destined to break box office records. Opens May 19.

*The Longest Yard* – Adam Sandler & Chris Rock star in this remake of a Burt Reynolds prison comedy. Opens May 27.

*Cinderella Man* – This depression era boxing story could be director Ron Howard's next ticket to the Oscars. Opens June 3.

*Batman Begins* – Christian Bale stars in the story of how a young Bruce Wayne is transformed into the legendary Dark Knight. Finally, a realistic approach to the Batman franchise. Opens June 17.

*Fun With Dick and Jane* – See Jim Carrey. See Tea Leoni. See a married couple who rob banks to pay the bills in this remake. Opens June 25.

*War of the Worlds* – Steven Spielberg + Tom Cruise + Alien Invasion = Box Office Gold. Opens June 29.

*The Dukes of Hazzard* – Johnny Knoxville and Sean William Scott star as Bo and Luke Duke. Jessica Simpson will be slipping into a pair of cut off jeans as the stunningly beautiful Daisy Duke. The part of General Lee will be played by a '69 Dodge Charger. Opens July 29.

## The Bad

*Monster-in-law* – Jennifer Lopez inherits the world's worst mother-in-law, played by Jane Fonda, in this film; let's just hope she also inherits some acting skills. Opens May 6.

*Mr. & Mrs. Smith* – Brad Pitt & Angelina Jolie are married and unaware that each is an assassin hired to kill the other. My money's on the Tomb Raider. Go for the heel! Go for the heel! Opens June 10.

*Fantastic Four* – A scientist, his girlfriend, her brother, and his friend are given special powers while on an outer space mission, which they use to fight crime. With so many superheroes out there, you wouldn't think there would be any crime left, would you? Opens July 1.

*Bewitched* – This film, inspired by the TV series, will star Will Ferrell & Nicole Kidman as a magically mismatched couple. There are so many TV show remakes. What's next? Should we keep our eyes peeled for Mr. Belvedere in summer 2006? Opens July 8.

*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* – Johnny Depp takes a crack at the candy making business as the wildly wacky Willy Wonka in this remake of a Gene Wilder classic. Warner Bros. probably should have left well enough alone here. Opens July 15.

*The Wedding Crashers* – Vince Vaughn plays a swinging bachelor who sneaks into weddings so he can hook up with the bride's maids. If he can dodge a wrench, why can't he dodge a lame script? Opens July 22.

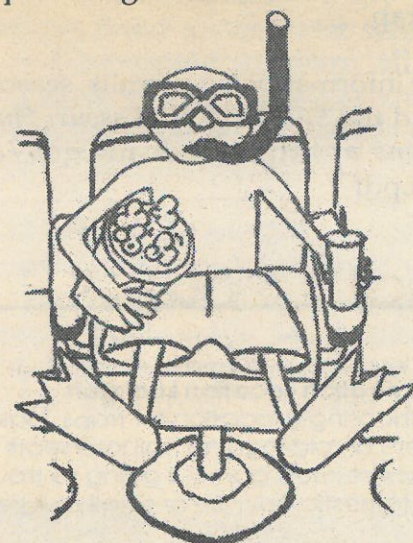
## The Ugly

*xXx: State of the Union* – Ice Cube replaces Vin Diesel in this sequel about a poor man's James Bond. Opens May 13.

*The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* – For some reason, Disney teams "The Leprechaun" (Warwick Davis) & Academy Award nominee John Malkovich (who is apparently desperate for work) in this novel turned film. Opens June 3.

*House of Wax* – Paris Hilton is back in front of the camera, this time as a fully-clothed visitor who is locked in a museum overseen by an evil curator. After starring in her own "simply" horrible TV show, she has decided to bomb on the big screen too. Opens June 30.

*Into the Blue* – Paul Walker and Jessica Alba are scuba divers that discover a drug lord's sunken cargo. The drug lord wants them dead, Paul Walker takes his shirt off, the end. Opens August 19.



Artwork by Josh Finney

## Spring Baseball and Softball Seasons in Full Swing

By Cory Jones

The spring baseball and softball seasons are off to a promising start. The teams are showing a lot of potential, and Baseball Coach Jarad Rinne and Softball Coach Doug Dunn are optimistic.

"The baseball team is young this year, but we still believe we have an opportunity to win some games....This [season] will be a good learning experience for our young

team," Coach Rinne said.

Junior catcher Stephan Hahn said, "With the new facilities and closer games, we hope to draw bigger crowds this season."

Sophomore pitcher Colten Jones added, "We are looking forward to having a good time no matter how many games we win or lose."

Coach Dunn said, "We have fourteen girls...with a lot of potential. We have a small schedule, and we're just looking to go out and have some fun."

Sophomore first basewoman Misty Bettis said, "I think we can have a good season if we work together like the team did during basketball season."

# Conservation Corner

A closer look at trapping and the controversy surrounding it.

By Craig Thomas

Despite a national decline in the somewhat controversial practice of trapping, an increasing number of local outdoorsmen are choosing to pass the time between other hunting seasons by setting traps for game.

According to a 1995 Gallop poll, 63% of Missourians approved of humane and well-regulated trapping, which means that 37% disapproved of or were undecided about the practice. Animal rights organizations, like People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), argue that trapping is inhumane. Not only is the common method of killing trapped game by striking the animal across the base of the nose with a club offensive to many opponents of trapping, but they also point out that animals caught in the traps may suffer from frostbite or shock, be attacked by other predators, or injure themselves trying to escape. In addition, dogs, cats, birds, and other non-target animals are often inadvertently crippled or killed by traps.

However, according to the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC), trapping is an important part of keeping species populations at healthy levels, and the MDC carefully regulates trapping in order to minimize collateral damage done by traps. MDC officials assert that to make trapping as humane as possible, trappers should check all traps often. Missouri law requires that trappers check their traps every 24 or 48 hours, depending on the type of trap.

For more information on permits, seasons, and regulations download the *Summary of Missouri Hunting and Trapping Regulations* at <http://mdc.mo.gov/documents/regs/huntsum.pdf>

# Virus Report (cont'd)

District Technology Coordinator Ms. Gail Ellis advises, "One of the best ways to fight viruses is to make sure that you are current on all of your Windows updates." Staying current not only fixes bugs in various programs, it helps Windows programs identify and quarantine the latest viruses.

The faculty at Chadwick School is responsible for keeping the computers up to date, and Chadwick School's network is already protected by AVG and Sonicwall Filter, but viruses and other harmful programs can still affect computers if users do not follow the basic rules set forth by the district.

The Chadwick School policy for computer use, which all students are required to sign before using the computers, lists 17 reasons that students can lose computer privileges. Number 13 states that "no user is allowed to download, and/or install any software or games to any computers." This policy is in place partially because the majority of games on the Internet lack definite educational value, but also because sites that offer free games, music, or other high traffic content may make their money by data mining or surreptitiously installing adware or other programs.

Number 15 and Number 17 on the list are identical, perhaps for emphasis, and state that "installing software without prior approval of the district technology coordinator or system administrator" will cause students to lose privileges.

Number 16 restricts the use of personal e-mail, which can be one of the quickest modes of spreading viruses. Most email servers scan potentially dangerous attachments, but this is never foolproof. Email attachments from strangers should never be opened, and even if the email is from a trusted source, unexpected attachments should not be opened because some viruses work by hijacking an infected user's address book and sending email without his or her consent. The best policy is to simply contact the person who sent you the email and ask if they intended to send an attachment.

Ms. Ellis and others are vigilantly working to keep the Chadwick School network running smoothly, but additional questions about keeping your home computer safe or any other technology topic can be directed to [cardinal\\_chronicle@mail.chadwick.k12.mo.us](mailto:cardinal_chronicle@mail.chadwick.k12.mo.us) Questions may be answered in an upcoming issue.

## Thomas's Trapping Tips

### Tip #1: Location Location Location

When choosing a location for traps, look for areas where trails come together, like where an old logging trail intersects with the perimeter of a field, because that is where most game is going to travel. Avoid public roadways and areas where domestic animals or small children might be present.

### #2 Bait and Switch

The right bait is essential to snaring game. Many trappers say the best bait is dead cow, but others have found success with ground mice, The Three Meat, turkey, and Catmandew. Try a variety of baits to see which works best.

### #3 Follow the Law

Don't forfeit your eligibility in all your favorite seasons by not playing by the rules when trapping.

### #4 It's an Investment

For some beginners, the cost of permits and traps may present a barrier. Some steel traps can cost as much as \$80 and may set for weeks or months without catching any game. Target the game with furs that bring the most money, including bobcats at \$40-80, coyotes at \$20-40, and foxes at \$15-20.

### #5 Check Your Traps Often

Checking the traps daily (or every 48 hours, depending on the type of trap) is not only the law, it will prevent you from losing valuable furs to predators, trap-hoppers (other trappers who rob your traps), or missed opportunities. Remember, if the trap is full, it can't catch any more game!

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